262 I have no idea, of course, what the diet may
178 have been in the past since only archaeology can suggest the answer. But I am sure that there has been much change in their diet since Kroeber saw them, not in the basic pattern but in the composition. With the introduction of hook and line
[177] fishing, the percentages swung in favor of fish,
[226] while decimation of the marine turtle cut down the importance of this animal. Simultaneously,
262 the Seris now have available manufactured or
[177] imported Mexican food items: flour, sugar, rice,
[439] potato (when no one is looking; potatoes are not supposed to be sold to them because they make *tepache* from them which makes them grossly ½ fish in cans, coffee and tea. Dependence on the products of the desert has dwindled. Rattlesnakes, desert turtles and chuckawalla still find their way to the Seri kitchen but not too frequently. Pelican and sea gull will be eaten only when rough times beset them but are disdainfully refused at other times. My own estimates, impressions not supported by any attempt to measure their diet, are as follows:

fish	50+%
turtle	8-
Mexican import	20
desert plant	7
desert land animals incl. stock	5
shellfish	10
total marine origin	68+
total desert origin	12
imported origin	20

224 Another important change in the pattern is the
178 unquestionable decrease of hunting (other than marine animals) in Seri life, as of the domestic
[685] stock stealing, the place of which has been taken in a way by the dependence on manufactured foods and items. Hunting nowadays is done rarely and only few individuals will devote some months out of the year to it. Stealing of domestic stock
[685] has ceased for practical purposes, since in the past it lead to virtual extermination of these Indians. Occasionally the Seri kill off a semi-wild burro, herds of which run about loose in the desert or they'll get leavings off one, hunted down by a Mexican trader or fishermen.

411 The Seris' basic tools of game procurement have
224 changed. Bow and arrow were still much in evidence and in use in McGee's time but seem to have gone out soon after. Kroeber did not mention them
[857] and by now they are quite extinct, except as clumsy toys little boys use to play with. The throwing stick is still used on rabbits—any stick one can scrounge on a moment's notice will do for the purpose. If any traps or falls had been used we do not know of them. Accidental stones may be used much in the same way as throwing sticks. In gen-
[177] eral, various sorts of fire arms, mostly .22 and .38 caliber are owned by a good many Seri men and have replaced other weapons in the terrestrial hunt.

226 More important are changes in the fishing pro-
411 cedures. Formerly spear and detachable harpoon
177 were their only marine weapons. Even as late as 1930, during Kroeber's visit, the Seris made no use of hook and line. But now, hook and line of

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